Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1.-10. (Canceled)

11. (New) A method for identifying a compound that interacts with a polypeptide encoded by the nucleic acid molecule set forth in SEQ. ID NO:2 or SEQ ID NO:4, or a naturally occurring mammalian variant thereof, comprising:

(a) contacting the polypeptide with a compound for a time sufficient to allow interaction of the compound with the polypeptide;

(b) removing compound which has not interacted with the polypeptide; and

(c) assaying for the presence of the compound, so that presence of the compound identifies a compound that interacts with the polypeptide.

12. (New) The method of claim 11, wherein the polypeptide is a naturally occurring human polypeptide.

13. (New) The method of claim 11, wherein the polypeptide comprises a polypeptide having the amino acid sequence depicted in SEQ. ID NO:1 or SEQ ID NO:3.

14. (New) The method of claim 11, wherein the polypeptide comprises the ligand-binding portion of the polypeptide set forth in SEQ. ID NO:1 or SEQ ID NO:3, or a naturally occurring mammalian variant thereof.

15. (New) The method of claim 11, wherein the polypeptide is a glycoprotein.

16. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein the polypeptide is attached to a solid support.